

The Daily Courant.

Tuesday, November 2. 1703.

From the Leiden Gazette, dated Nov. 6.

Paris, October 24.

THE last Letters from Madrid tell us, that 6 days after the Arrival of Prince Tserclaes de Tilly there from the Netherlands, he went to put himself at the Head of a Flying Camp in order to cover Estramadura, on advice of a Design of the Portuguese to possess themselves of Badajos, by means of Intelligence with some Persons in it; that he has taken up his Head Quarters at Menda within 11 Leagues of Badajos, the Garrison of which Place he has reinforce'd; and that the King had taken a Resolution to march with another Body of Troops towards Galicia, to make head against the Portuguese, who, 'twas reported, are drawing towards that Province to make an Irruption into it. So that by the next Letters we expect to hear of an open Rupture between Spain and Portugal. Considerable Employments in Italy and Flanders have been offer'd to several Grandees of Spain; But they have all excus'd themselves from going out of the Kingdom at a time when it is like to be attack'd; which has made the Court the more distrustful of them. Notwithstanding the Cardinal d'Etrees has taken leave of the Court of Madrid, to return hither, we are assur'd he has private Orders from the King of France to find out some colourable Pretences for delaying his departure out of Spain. That Prelate in all his Letters makes great Complaints against Cardinal Portocarrero, the Duke of Medina Celi and other Noblemen, and affirms, that no Trust is to be repos'd in the Spaniards, but that 'tis necessary to have a strong Body of Troops to act in that Kingdom. We have receiv'd from thence Copies of a sort of Manifesto, which they tell us was dispers'd on the Coasts of Spain by the Commanders of the English and Dutch Fleet, the Tenour of which has been publish'd here in the following Terms.

The Generals of the Confederates to all good Spaniards.

Pursuant to the Orders of the most Serene Queen of Great Britain, and of their High Mightinesses the States General of the United Provinces, We declare to all the Faithful Vassals of the Crown of Spain, of what Condition or Quality soever, that we come not to act Hostilities, but on the contrary to protect and assist those Spaniards who mindful of their ancient and just Obligations to the most August House of Austria, shall Swear Obedience to their lawful King Charles III, and concur to cast off the Yoke of France, who has endeavour'd to make Slaves of a Nation so valiant and jealous of their Honour. At the same time, as we will assist with all our Force those who shall acknowledge a Title so unquestionably rightful, so We Protest, that if (which we are unwilling to believe) we find any Persons oppose so just a Cause, so equitable a Design, they shall be liable to all the Rigour and Calamities of War, and may expect

to see their Houses and Families destroy'd with Fire and Sword. Given from on board our Fleet, August 12. 1703.

Sign'd, SHOVEL, ALLEMONDE.

The King has given Order for putting under Arrest all the Savoyards that are in the Kingdom, and several of them are already sent to the Bastile and other Prisons. 3000 Men of the Troops commanded by the Marshal de Montreville are drawing together on the Frontier of Savoy, against the Arrival of the Marshal de Tesse, who pass'd through Lyons on the 21st going to Grenoble.

Amsterdam, Nov. 5. The last Account we have of the Confederate Fleet, is, that it sail'd from Leghorne on the 13th of October.

Milan, October 20. On the 16th the Prince of Vaudemont arriv'd at San Benedetto from hence, and took upon him the command of the Army of the 2 Crowns during the Absence of the Duke of Vendome, who is advanc'd to Cazal. We learn by Letters from Turin, that an Express was come thither from the Count de Vernon the Ambassador of Savoy at the Court of France, to acquaint his Master that he was under Confinement at Fontainebleau, and that the King of France was willing to let his Royal Highness's Troops return home, provided he would give him any Assurance that he would hold himself Neuter: But his Royal Highness rejects this Offer, and is exerting his best Endeavours to put his Country into a good State of Defence. On the 14th he took a Review of the City Regiments of Turin, and has order'd Retrenchments to be made round that Place, in which 3000 Workmen are actually employ'd. The Fortifications of Vercel are repairing and strengthenning: And a Council of War call'd by his Royal Highness has pass'd a Resolution that Afti shall be demolish'd, as not thinking it worth while to keep a Garrison in it. The new Levies of the 12 Provincial Regiments are carried on successfully.

Kingsale, October 19. All the Transport Ships and Men of War, East-India and Virginia Ships, &c. that sail'd hence on Thursday last, put into Cork by contrary Winds.

Shields, October 29. There is come into this Port about 40 Sail of light Ships, as also the Solebay Man of War, the Lynn Convoy; the Dartmouth and the Warwick are not yet come in from the Northward; our Harbour is very full of Shipping, some of the Eastland Fleet that is bound for this Port is put into Holy Island.

Cowes, October 30. The Dutch outward bound Ships which lately put into this Island bound for Portugal, &c. sail'd yesterday Morning with a fair Wind which still continues, they were under no other Convoy than 3 or 4 Letter of Mart Men from 20 to 36 Guns.

Dublin, October 22. This day Dr. Coghill reported from the Committee of Grievances, that they had come to a Resolution which he read to the House, being

receiv'd his Majestys last Orders to go and command in Galicia, of which he is made Viceroy, the Troops that are drawing together on that side. All the Regiments, Quartered in several Places, have received Orders to advance towards the Frontiers of Portugal. We have heard no News of the Enemy's Fleet since they left the Coasts of this Kingdom, and notwithstanding the Placards or Manifeitoes they dispers'd in several Places to excite the People to an Insurrection, we do not learn there has any where been any Commotion in their Favour. Only at Alicant a Man of mean Condition offering to make some use of those Placards, was carried before the Magistrates, who caus'd him to be punish'd exemplarily. On the 11th the Cardinal d'Eurres goes to Toledo. to take leave of the Queen Dowager, and continue his Journey to France, without returning hither.

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